

Morbus Satanicus.
The Devils Disease;

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The Sin of Pride Arraigned and
Condemned.

Isai. 3. 16. *The Daughters of Sion are
haughty, and walk with stretched out
necks, and wanton eyes: walking and
mincing as they go, and making a tink-
ling with their feet.*

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Ezek. 16. 49.

Behold, this was the iniquity of thy Sister *Sodom*, pride and fulness of bread: abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hands of the poor and needy.

THese words, beloved, may very well be compared and applyed to these last and worst of times wherein we live; for if ever any Scripture was fulfilled, this very Scripture is fulfilled amongst us at this very day: For behold, this is the iniquity of *England*, pride and fulness of bread in her, and in her children; for the daughters of *England* are proud and haughty, and walk with stretched out necks, and naked breasts, walking and mincing as they go. I need not trouble my self much to prove this assertion, the Lord knows the truth of it is too too manifest amongst us in these days; For now as the Prophet saith, *Ezek. 7. Behold, the day; behold it is come; the Rod hath blossomed. pride hath budded, and violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness.* The people of *England* have lifted themselves up, and have prided themselves in their greatness; the pride

of England, as it was said of *Israel*, *Hos.* 5. 5. doth
testifie against it to its face. In the words of the
Text, we have the Prophet testifying against the
pride of the *Israelites*, comparing it with the sins
of *Sodom*; and the iniquity of *Sodom* you know
was very great, the sins here mentioned, are first
pride, then fulness of bread, and abundance of idlen-
ness: pride that's the leading sin of all.

Now the sin of pride is either inward in the
heart, or else outward in the body; and that in
five several particulars: First in the speech, *Dan.* 4:
30. Is not this great Babylon that I have built,
saith *Nebucadnezzar*, for the house of my king-
dom, and for the honour of my Majesty. Second-
ly, pride is the looks. *Prov.* 6. 17. A proud look,
and a lying tongue, the Lord hates. *David* saith
in *Psalms* 31. 1. My heart is not haughty, nor
mine eyes lofty. Thirdly, pride is in the habit and
apparel of the body; thus *Herods* pride appeared,
Acts 12. 21. *Herod* arrayed himself in gorgeous
apparel: So likewise the rich man. *Luke* 6. 10.
clothed himself in purple, and fared deliciously ev-
ery day. Fourthly, pride is the gestures and car-
riage of the body *Isai.* 3. 16. The daughters of
Sion are haughty, and walk with stretched out
necks and wanton eyes, mincing and tinkling
with their feet as they go. Fifthly, pride is often-
times in the actions, *Isai.* 3. 5. The child shall be-
have himself proudly against the ancient, *Nab.* 9.
10, 19. The children of *Israel* dealt proudly, they
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and their fathers, and harkned not to the Commandments of the Lord.

So likewise Pride is oftentimes seen in men curious and over costly feasting, and pompous adorning of their Houses, more than modesty, lawful delight, and necessity doth require: and this sin is very common amongst us at this day; now the sinfulness and wickedness of the sin of pride, blinds and hardens the minds and hearts of Men and Women, *Dan. 5. 30. Nebuchadnezzars heart was lifted up, and his mind so blinded with pride, that he was not only deposed from his Throne, but also driven from among the sons of Men, and his heart made like the beasts; he was so blinded that he became brutish, and his dwelling was with wild Asses, and he was fed with Grass like an Ox.*

Secondly, Pride sets men in opposition against God, in other sins men run away from God, but pride is a coming against God; in other sins men fly from God, but in the sin of pride men fly on God, *Jam. 4. 6. God resisteth the proud. Men do not resist until they are set upon: When Thieves set upon true Men, they will (if they find themselves able) make resistance: So proud persons they set upon God; and as much as in them lyes, endeavour to pull God out of Heaven; this was the sin of the devil which cast him out of Heaven, *Psal. 73. 9. Proud men set their mouths against Heaven.**

Thirdly, Pride is the fountain and root of all other sins. *Abshaloms* pride carried him on to rebellion against his own Father: It was *Athaliabs* pride that put her upon slaying the seed Royal, that so she her self might reign, 2 *Kings* 11. *Solomon* saith, *Prov.* 13. 10. Only by pride cometh contention. All the contention that ever have been, or at this day are, either in Law-suits, or Families, or in Trading, or whatsoever contentions there are, these do all spring from pride, and as covetousness is the root of all evil. so pride is the nurse of all covetousness; did not mens hearts run so much after pride, there might be more love than there is & men need not be so covetous after riches, & so desirous of gorgeous apparel as they are: Pride carries men forth into the very height of all iniquity. It was *Hammans* pride that put him upon seeking & plotting the death of all the Jews in *Babylon*.

Fourthly Pride makes men like the devil, it is *Morbus Satanicus*, the devils disease, and far worse than the *French*, or any other foul disease: The devil was the first that ever prided it against God; pride made the devil to be a devil, he was first an *Angel* in Heaven, but for his pride against God, he was cast down to Hell, and so became a devil: The Apostle saith. 1 *Tim.* 3. 6. *Ministers of God must not be novices, lest being lifted up with pride, they fall into the condemnation of the devil.* Therefore God many times to prevent this
sin

sin of pride, suffers the devil to buffet even his own children, as he did St. Paul, 2 Cor. 12. 7. God had rather see his children buffeted by Satan, than swell with that abominable sin of pride.

Fifthly, Pride is the sin that maketh God abhor men, Prov. 16. 5. *Every one that is proud is an abomination to the Lord; and though hand joyn in hand, saith the Lord, pride shall not be unpunished.* A proud look is one of the things that God hates, Prov. 6. 16. *Gods hatred is against proud men.* Psal. 19. 9. *Proud persons are accursed.* God delights in nothing more than his glory, and he hates nothing more than pride, which would, if permitted by him, rob him of his glory.

Sixthly, Pride is an utter enemy to the future and everlasting happiness and salvation of men; 1 Cor. 8. 2. He that thinks he knows any thing, that is, he that is proudly conceited of himself, that man (saith the Apostle) knows nothing as he ought to do. Proud persons think they know something, if not all things; but the Word of God saith, Men must become fools that they may be made wise, that is, men must deny themselves, and go to Christ for wisdom, righteousness, redemption, grace, life, and salvation; but proud persons will not do this. *Ye will not come to me,* saith Christ, *John 5. 40. that ye might have life.* Men that are proud and self-conceited, care not for coming to Christ; he that comes to Christ, must deny himself, and forsake all; which I am

sure no proud person will be willing to do; honour and greatness, and outward bravery, they are the things which proud persons look after; so they may be proud, fine, & brave, 'tis no matter for any thing else, therefore it is twice recorded in Scripture, *God resisteth the proud and giveth grace to the humble*, Jam. 4. 6. 1 Pet 5. 5. Proud persons like full stomachs, loath the Hony-comb of grace.

Seventhly, Pride brings heavy calamities, and sore judgments both upon the persons and places where it is exercised. *Prov. 15. 25. The Lord will destroy the proud.* *Haman and Architophel* were proud persons, and God destroyed them and their Houses: *Herod* was a proud person, and the *Angel of the Lord* smote him, and he was eaten to death of worms, *Acts 12. 23.* Men that are haughty and proud, God will bring them down; *Nebuchadnezzar* was a tree whose top reached up to Heaven, *Dan 4. 11.* He was proud and haughty but what became of him? he was cut down: So *Pharaoh* and the *Egyptians* were full of pride and cruelty, and what follows? *Exod. 15. 10.* *They in all their pride & glory were overwhelmed in the sea.* So likewise *Saul*, he waxed proud and rebellious against God & the Lord rejected him, and cut him off by the *Philistines*. *1 Sam. 1. 31.* So likewise *Ahab* *1 Kings 22.* So *Belshazzar*, he lifted up himself against the Lord, and presently a hand was seen writing his doom upon the wall, and that very night was he slain. Proud persons who ever they are, God will humble them, and lay them low;
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God beholdeth them afar off, he resists them, and will scatter them.

In *Mal. 4. 1.* saith the Prophet, *Behold the day cometh that shall burn as an oven, and all the proud, yea and that do wickedly shall be as stubble. and the day cometh that shall burn them up saith the Lord of hosts, & it shall leave them neither root nor branch.* *Isa. 2. 12, 13, 14, 15 16, 17.* The day of the Lord of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud, and he shall be brought low and upon all the Cedars of Libanus, & all the Oaks of Bashan, & upon all high hills & mountains that are lifted up upon every high tower & fenced wall upon all the Ships of Tarshish and upon all pleasant pictures, and the loftiness of man shall be bowed down & the haughtiness of man shall be made low. Whosoever it is that is proud & lofty, that lifts it self up against the Lord, it shall be thrown down, for pride must down, as Christ said of the Temple, not a stone of it shall be left but it shall be utterly o'erthrown. The Jews were so proud, that they despised the meanness & meekness of Christ, & said in the pride of their hearts, *We will not have this man to reign over us;* But what became of them? they were shortly after scattered throughout the world, & destroyed: yea, *Jerusalem* it self, that glorious City, utterly ruined and destroyed.

So likewise *Moab* and *Ammon*, *Assyria* and *Nineveh* threatned for their pride. *Zephaniah 2. 9, 10.* As I live saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, surely *Moab* shall be as *Sodom*, and the children of *Ammon* as *Gomorrah*,

even the breeding of nettles and salt pits, and a perpetual desolation: the *Ethiopian* also shall be slain by the sword, and I will stretch forth my hand against *Affyria*, and destroy it, and will make *Nineveh* a desolation, and a wilderness. And the reason of all this is given *verse* the tenth, This shall they have for their pride, because they have reproached and magnified themselves against the people of the Lord of hosts. Pride was the first Fire brand that set *Sodom* on fire, and will be the ruine and destruction of those that delight therein, 2 *Sam.* 22. 28. The eyes of the Lord are upon the haughty, that he may bring them down.

And I beseech you to observe, that pride is the fore-runner of ruine and destruction, *Hos.* 5. 5. The pride of *Israel* doth testifie to his face, therefore shall *Israel* and *Ephraim* fall in their iniquity, *Judah* also shall fall with them. Is *Israel* proud? so is *Judah*, so is *England*; the daughters of *England* are proud and haughty, walking with stretched forth necks, painted and spotted faces, naked breasts, powdered locks, walking and mincing as they go. Must *Israel* fall? so must *England*: for after pride cometh destruction: pride struts before and leads the van, but judgment and destruction follows after, and brings up the rear. *Prov.* 16. 18. *Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.* *Lucifer's* pride cast him out of Heaven into Hell? *Sodom's* pride set *Sodom* on fire: *Jerusalem's* pride brought

brought down ruin and destruction upon their heads; yea, most certain it is that pride hath been the cause of all the commotions, wars, ruines, and desolations that ever were in the World. Proud *Haman*, he thought scorn to lay hands up on *Mordecai* alone, but he will have the blood and bones of all the Jews to satiate his pride. *Ester* 3. 6. and shortly after, he was hanged upon the same gallows which was set up for *Mordecai*. *Esth.* 7. 10. *Herods* heart was swollen with pride, and the worms eat him up *Acts* 12. 13. So *Nebuchadnezzar*, in *Dan.* 4. 30, 31, 32. priding himself in his greatness, had his kingdom taken from him and he was driven forth from among men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of Heaven, till his hair was grown like eagles feathers, and his nails like birds claws. So *David*, 2 *Sam.* 24. in the pride of his heart numbers his people, and for that sin the Lord swept away seventy thousand of his people presently after. So *Absalom* and *Adonijah*, by pride aspire and seek to set themselves in the Throne and thereby brought destruction upon themselves. Pride loves to go before, but it is before a fall, before destruction: If you find pride in the beginning of any thing, you shall certainly find destruction in the latter end. Pride proceeded and went before the fall of our first Parents, *Gen.* 3. 5. They would be like unto God, knowing good and evil. Pride procured the Angels fall from Heaven to Hell, and will be

be the ruine of all those Kingdoms and persons
where ever it is embraced & received, *Luke 14. 11.*
whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased, and he
that humbleth himself shall be exalted. Be they
particular persons, Cities or Kingdoms, or whatso-
ever they are that do exalt themselves thro' pride,
God will throw them down, *Jer. 50. 29. 30. 31.*
32. Babylon hath been proud against the Lord &
against the holy one of Israel, therefore shall her
young men fall in the streets; and all her men of
war shall be cut off, saith the Lord. Behold, I am
against thee. O thou most proud, saith the Lord of
hosts; for the day is come, and the time that I will
visit thee, and the most proud shall stumble & fall,
& none shall raise him up: It is greatly to be fear-
ed that these three Nations of *Scotland. England,*
& *Ireland* have been proud, yea, very proud against
the Lord & his worship; & have greatly provoked
him with that sin: The Lord grant we be not pu-
nished with sore judgments for this sin. God threat-
ned *Jerusalem* for this sin. *Jer. 3. 9.* I will mark the
pride of *Judah*, and the great pride of *Jerusalem*,
saith the Lord. And how he will do this, you may
in *Isaiah 3. 16, 17, 18, 19 20.* and so unto the end
of the Chapter. Moreover the Lord saith, because
the daughters of *Sion* are haughty, and walk with
stretched forth necks, and wanton eyes, walking &
mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with
their feet; Therefore the Lord will smite with a
scab the crown of the head of the daughters of *Si-*

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on, and the Lord will discover their secret parts; in that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet, their cauls, and their round tires like the Moon, their chains & their bracelets, & their mufflers, their jewels, & the ornaments of their legs, the head-bands & the tablets, & the ear-rings, the rings & the nose jewels, the changeable suits of apparel, the mantles, the wimples & the crisping-pins, the glasses & the fine linnen, the hoods & the vails: And it shall come to pass, that in stead of a sweet smell, there shall be a stink, and in stead of a girdle a rent; & in stead of well set hair, baldness, and in stead of a stomacher, a girding with sackcloth, and a burning in stead of beauty. Their men shall fall by the sword, and their mighty men in the war, and her gates shall lament and mourn; and she being desolate, shall sit on the ground.

And God hath not only threatned and denounced his displeasure against this abominable sin of pride; but he hath likewise in all ages inflicted his judgments upon sundry particular persons, for their extraordinary delight in this sin: Many and fearful have been the plagues, and most dreadful judgments, which God in all ages hath poured out and inflicted upon those that have offended his holy Majesty herein, as all Histories, both sacred and prophane do abundantly declare. For proof whereof; take as it were a taste
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but of some few whereby it will clearly appear how
wonderfully the Lord our God in all ages, times
and places of the World, hath surely punished all
those Nations, Countrys, or People whatsoever,
who through pride and arrogancy have lift them-
selves up, and rebelled against the great God of
Heaven and Earth: As for instance, the devil
who before was an Angel in Heaven, who proudly
pretending to set himself above the Lord, who
is God over all, was for this his pride cast down
from Heaven, and thence into the bottomless pit
of Hell, into that lake which burneth with fire and
brimstone for ever where he is reserved, as St.
Jude saith. *Jude* 6. In everlasting chains under
darkness, unto the judgment of the great day. So
likewise *Adam* through the delusion of the
devil, proudly desiring to be as God, knowing
good and evil; and was for this his wilful sin, for
ever plunged, both himself and his posterity, in-
to the gulf of woe and misery, and that for ever;
So likewise *Corah*, *Dathan*, and *Abiram*. *Numb.*
16. For their exceeding great pride, in stirring
up the people to rebellion, were swallowed up a-
live into the earth, they and all that appertained
unto them. So in *Gen.* 11. the people of *Babel*
going about to build them a Tower, whose top
should reach up to Heaven, thereby proudly in-
tending to seat themselves even with God himself,
were all confounded in a moment, and their work
brought unto confusion. So in *1 Sam.* 17. *Goliath*,
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that huge and mighty Giant, proudly defying the Armies of the living God, was shamefully slain by David the servant of God, with a small stone out of a sling: So that great *Antiochus* intending to overthrow and spoil *Jerusalem*: and thereby spoil and destroy the Temple and Sanctuary of the Lord, and murder the people of God, was for this his pride overturn'd in his Chariot, as he was riding to effect this his cursed design, and his belly burst asunder, out of which there crawled forth filthy loathsome stinking worms; and in the end he so stunk, that both himself & his servants loathed the sight and savour of his most loathsome carcase; and thus ended this proud Tyrant his wretched life in woful misery. So *Nebuchadnezzar* in the fourth of *Daniel* for his pride, was driven forth of his Kingdom, and constrained to eat grass with the wild beasts in the wilderness. So *Saul* for his pride and disobedience to God, had his Kingdom taken from him, and he in the end most desperately flew himself upon the point of his own sword. So likewise proud *Haman* in the 3d of *Ester*, seeking the life of just *Mordacai*, and all the Jews brought himself at last to hang upon his own Gallows, which he himself had prepared for *Mordacai*. And as ye heard before, *Jerusalem*s pride brought ruine and destruction upon their own heads: So likewise the Cities of *Sodom* and *Gomorrab*, for their pride and contempt of the Lord were suddenly destroyed by fire and brimstone,

stone, which the Lord rained down from Heaven upon them ; who as Saint *Jude* saith, are by God set forth for example to that shall yet presume to live ungodly. And the whole World except only *Noah* and his Family, were for their pride and wickedness against God, drowned by an universal deluge from Heaven. So that good King *Hazekiab*, for his pride, in shewing the Embassadors of *Babylon* his riches and treasure, for this his sin he lost all his treasure, and his Sons : so carried captive into *Babylon*. And likewise *David* who was a man after Gods own heart, for his pride in nambring the people, contrary to the will and command of God, was sadly punished for the same, threescore and ten thousand of his people being slain with the Pestilence, as you may read, 2 *Sam.* 24. 15. So likewise proud *Pharaoh* in the 14. of *Exodus*, for this his pride against God in pursuing the children of *Israel*, was drowned in the midst of the Sea, he and all his host. And the proud Pharisee in the Gospel justifying himself in his own righteousness before the Lord, was for his pride reproved of the Lord and rejected. So *Herod* in *Acts* 12. 21, 22. For attiring himself in sumptuous apparel, and not giving glory to the Lord, as it is in the 23. verse, Immediately with the Sword : The Angel of the Lord smote him, him and he was eaten of Worms, and gave up the Ghost : A fearful example for all proud persons

persons to take notice of. So that wicked *Jesabel*, of whom you have mention made before; in the midst of her pride and vanities, was thrown out of a Window, and dashed in pieces against the ground.

Many more sad examples I might give you of Gods heavy judgments against proud persons; but I shall conclude all with this one most fearful example, which is as followeth. A Gentlewoman of *Antwerp*, a very rich Merchants Daughter, being invited to a Wedding, she thereupon made great preparation for the decking of her self in curious and costly attire, to which end she curled her hair, and dyed her locks, after which she painted her face with sundry Oynments, to make her self seem more beautiful; but so curious was she, that none could be had to make her cloaths fine enough for her: This Gentlewoman being priding her self up in her Glass, could not make her cloaths fit fine enough to her curious fancy, at which she being in great rage, began to ban and curse most horribly, casting the cloaths under her feet, wishing the devil might take her if ever she put on any of them again; whereupon immediately upon the same, the Devil, by Gods just permission, transforming himself into the shape and likeness of a young man, as brave and finical as her self in outward appearance, came to her, pretending to be a Suiter unto her, and

seeing her thus passionate, and in such pelling
chast, he demanded of her the cause thereof;
which she making known to him, he presently
desired her to permit him to dress her, promi-
sing to her that he would diligently please her
in all respects, and thereupon he began to dress
and adorn her after a most neat and curious
manner, which he soon finisht to her great con-
tent and liking, in so much that she behold-
ing her self in a glass, as the Devil bid her, be-
came greatly taken and enamoured with her
person; after which, saluting one another, the
Devil rung her Neck in sunder from her Shoul-
ders, so that she died most miserably; her body
which she had before so painted and spotted,
being metamorphosed most strangely into
Black and Blew colours; most loathsome to be-
hold, and her Face which was before so amo-
rous, became now so loathsome, fearful and
deformed, that it was a most dreadful spectacle
to behold; whereupon a rich Coffin was pro-
vided by her Friends, and her loathsome Carcase
put therein and covered over with most rich
and costly cloaths: At the time appointed for
the burial of her vile Body, four men immedi-
ately assayed to lift up the Corps, but could not
possibly stir it at all; after which six men as-
sayed to take it up, but could not once so much
as move it from the ground; whereat the stan-
ders by greatly marvelling, caused the said Cof-
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fin to be opened, and the Body of this proud Creature being taken away (none knew how) in stead thereof, they found in the C flin a Black Cat: very loathsome and deformed to behold, setting a Ruff, and crisping and curling of hair, to the great fear and horreur, and amazement of the beholders.

Thus, Christian Reader, I have briefly shewed you this sad, but true example of Gods wrath against pride, and having now presented to your view this sad and woful spectacle; my desire and advice is, that all that reads or hears of it, especially all those who delight them in painting and decking themselves up in pride, as this proud person did, that by considering and looking upon this sad example, in stead of looking in their own looking glass, they may behold and see their own sins, and be ashamed of their evil ways, for fear, least the same God, who is yesterday, and to day, and for ever the same, inflict upon them the like, if not more severe punishments.

O consider this and tremble all ye proud gallants, that pin and paint, powder and trim your selves up in pride and vanity. God hath told you these things to forwarn you: But if you will still persist, and go on in your pride, all these things, and worse than all, these shall come upon you, and that suddenly, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken in *Isa. 23. 9.*

The Lord of hosts hath purposed to stain the pride of all glory, and to bring into contempt all the honourable of the earth. He hath purposed, and he will do it, unless you repent.

You have seen now what the sin of pride is, together with the sore evils thereof, and the sad judgments that are threatned against it in the Word of God, with the heavy calamities that hath befallen Angels, Kingdoms and Persons, for this sin of pride. O then, I beseech you, and intreat you in the fear of the Lord, as you love your own souls, and as you would not have these sad judgments and calamities to befall you, loath this cursed sin, and abhor it. How many poor members of Jesus Christ might be fed and clothed with such things as are daily and hourly, needlessly and presumptuously wasted and spent in pride and vanity? I dare boldly say, that there needs not be a poor man nor woman in *England*, that should want either food to eat, or cloaths to put on, if but the tenth part of what is vainly spent in pride and wickedness, might be spared, and given to the poor. How many thousands are there spent yearly to maintain this accursed and abominable sin of pride? How many are there, that if a poor man want but a penny, or a farthing, will say they have it not? But when the devil prompts them on to pride, and to paint themselves, curl and powder their Locks, and to
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spot their faces with black patches, they can find money enough. Many there are, whose faces God hath made fair and beautiful; and yet, as though God hath not done his part by them, or as if they could mend Gods workmanship, they spend both their time and estates to paint and adorn themselves, and thereby become loathsome in the eyes of the Lord, as that accursed proud wretch *Jezebel* did, 2 *King.* 9. 30. *Jezebel* painted her face, and tired her head; and she was thrown out of the very window where she was painting and pricking her self in her pride, and so dashed to pieces against the walls, and trodden under foot to death, and the dogs eat her flesh, so that nothing remained of her.

O that our proud Ladies would think upon this; they that walk upon Belconies, and stand in their doors glorying in their pride and shame, enticing their lovers by their naked breasts, and painted faces, to wantonness and lasciviousness; for know this, that your painting, and powdering your locks, and spotting your faces, are but snares and baits for lust and wantonness; and that this sin of yours is monstrous and intollerable. I remember a notable story of an antient man, who coming from *Alexandria*, passed by a woman of a very spruce and wanton dress, whereupon the good old man presently fell a weeping; and being asked the reason thereof,

thereof, he answered, saying, that he wept for two things; First, for the danger that the womans soul was in. Secondly, to see what a vile wretch he had been, in that he had not taken so much care and pains to serve and please his God, as this wanton woman did to please her wanton lusts and affections.

I beseech you therefore, for the Lords sake, consider the danger your poor souls are in, and forsake this cursed sin of pride; for your adorning, let it be such as the Apostle *Peter* commands for your wear, 1 Pet. 3. 3. whose adorning (saith he) let it not be that outward but (saith he) let it be in the hidden man of the heart, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price; for (saith the Apostle in the fifth verse) after this manner in the old time, the holy women who trusting in God adorned themselves.

Now to conclude all, as the Apostle saith in *Rom.* 13. 14. Let us walk honestly as in the day, not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envy, not in pride and painting: But as he saith, so say I, Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof. O Christians, if ye did but know what a lovely and comely Garment Christ is, I am confident

confident ye would cast away all your pride and vanity to put on Christ. Look then upon Jesus Christ with an eye of faith, through the glasse of the Scripture, and see how this white Garment of Christ doth become you, and forsake all your pride to put on Christ, for I am sure no clothing can so well become a Christian, as the white Robes of Christ, which are these; humility, temperance, patience, vertue, brotherly kindness, love and holiness, which is acceptable in the sight of God: To whom be praise and glory, both in Heaven and Earth, throughout all ages, World without end.
Amen.

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